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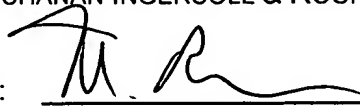
AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	22	22	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$ 0
Independent Claims	6	6	0	x \$ 210 (1201)	0
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Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0
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Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)	MAIL STOP
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Application No.: 10/668,149)	Group Art Unit: 2625
Filed: September 24, 2003)	Examiner: Allen H Nguyen
For: FAX DATA TRANSMISSION)	Confirmation No.: 2756
DEVICE AND FAX DATA)	
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM)	

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the June 25, 2008 Office Action, the Examiner identified three distinct species. The Examiner required the Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits under 35 U.S.C. §121.

Pursuant to the Examiner requirement, Applicant elects species III, with traverse. Currently, Claims 14-19 and 22 read on the elected species. Currently, no claims are generic to all species. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications with regard to any non-elected species.

Applicant respectfully traverses the election of species requirement because the PTO has not carried forward its burden of proof to establish that searching and examining each of the noted sets of claims would be an undue burden.

In particular, MPEP §803 states:

that if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully traverses the outstanding election of species requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place a serious burden on the Examiner.

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